

NORTHOLT PARK BAPTIST CHURCH

'To Know Christ and Make Him Known'

NEWSLETTER

SUNDAY 2nd MAY 2021

MISSION PRAYER SERVICE

Welcome to your weekly newsletter from Northolt Park Baptist Church. Rev. Michael Lovejoy is our speaker and Sue Blake will be leading us in a time of prayer and worship.



We are open for public gatherings and acts of worship. Social distancing and face coverings will be maintained. We are reminded to follow and uphold our risk assessment policies. Service starts at 10.30am.

This week's scripture readings

Matthew 5:6 & Isaiah 55:1-6 (NIV)

Theme: 'Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.'

Invitation to the Thirsty

55 "Come, all you who are thirsty,

come to the waters;

and you who have no money,

come, buy and eat!

Come, buy wine and milk

without money and without cost.

2 Why spend money on what is not bread,

and your labor on what does not satisfy?

Listen, listen to me, and eat what is good,

and you will delight in the richest of fare.

3 Give ear and come to me;

listen, that you may live.

I will make an everlasting covenant with you,

my faithful love promised to David.

4 See, I have made him a witness to the peoples,

a ruler and commander of the peoples.

5 Surely you will summon nations you know not,

and nations you do not know will come running to you,

because of the Lord your God,

the Holy One of Israel,

for he has endowed you with splendor."

6 Seek the Lord while he may be found;

call on him while he is near.





Olu has kindly offered to continue supporting us by live streaming our Sunday services using Teamviewer. Please see, below his message relating to live streaming our service for this coming Sunday.

If you haven't already, please download the Teamviewer video instructions at https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgbMp-T9wQyci-k7tHM45Hg_jo9l2Q?e=8zIPCi and go through the one for your relevant device (i.e. desktop or phone). The videos are for Windows and iPhone devices, but a lot of the principles shown apply to both Mac and Android devices. We will be having 1 Test session (mainly for first time users) before the Sunday Service session. The session is to ensure that everyone is familiar with Teamviewer, the on-line meeting software and to ensure that any issues are resolved before the Sunday service. For each session you should be able to see something similar to one of the screens we had last week.

Session Name: Sunday Service
Date: 02/05/2021 at 10:30am
Web Address (url): <https://go.blizz.com/join/m38264420>

Meeting ID: m382-644-20

To join by landline, please dial 0845 034 151 0 and then key in the relevant meeting id. The meeting id for the Sunday Service is 38264420. The Sunday service, at NPBC, starts at 10.30 am, however, please logon at 10.15 am. This will give some time to get logged in before we start service. If you do not have a web-connected computer or mobile smartphone, but have a free Weekend 0845 landline package, you can join the meeting by calling the number already mentioned at the stated time and then key in the relevant meeting id (e.g. m382-644-20). Please note 0845 numbers are free on the weekend in most phone packages. For those who do not have access to free 0845 numbers, please let Michael know and we can arrange for an alternative way for you to join Sunday service.

If anyone has downloaded Teamviewer, is comfortable using it, and is willing to help others download Blizz, please do support one another. We hope to have as many people as possible joining our service! Please continue to check your email every few hours as this will be our only way of sending any late-breaking information.



The services below are all being held at NPBC

Sunday 2nd MAY

Theme: "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness"

Speaker: Rev. Michael Lovejoy

Scriptures: Matthew 5:6 & Isaiah 55:1-6 (NIV)

Sunday 9th MAY

FAMILY SERVICE

Theme: 'Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy'

Speaker: Rev. Michael Lovejoy

Scripture: *TBC* (NIV)

Sunday 16TH MAY

COMMUNION SERVICE

Theme: 'Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God'

Speaker: Rebekah Rego

Scriptures: *TBC* (NIV)

Sunday 23rd MAY

MISSION PRAYER SERVICE

Theme: 'Pentecost Sunday' (God – the Holy Spirit)

Speaker: Olu Falowo

Scripture: *TBC* (NIV)

Sunday 30th MAY

Theme: 'Trinity Sunday - All Three are One'

Speaker: Rev. Michael Lovejoy

Scripture: *TBC* (NIV)

SPIRIT EMPOWERED MINISTRY DOESN'T JUST HAPPEN!

The following Sunday, 9th May, Michael lovejoy will be bringing the ministry of the Word to us. Pray for Michael as he prepares to minister to us with the aid of the Holy spirit.



So what makes a good sermon?

Janet was pleasantly surprised to hear an interview with Rev. Antony Billington on Premier Christian Radio, and she thought that it was really good. She has requested the link below be



included to listen to Premier Christian Radio back services.

<https://www.premierchristianradio.com/Shows/Weekday/Faith-Hope-and-Love-with-Chick-Yuill/Interviews/So-what-makes-a-good-sermon>



April Shopping List

- UHT Milk – *Semi Skimmed or Full Fat, **not** Skimmed*
- Long Life Fruit Juice & Squash
- Tinned Fish
- Savoury & Sweet Biscuits
- Instant Coffee
- Ready Made Custard – *tins or cartons*
- Vegetarian Chilli & Curry
- Drinking Chocolate
- Cooking Oil – *250ml/500ml/1litre*
- Sanitary Towels – *not tampons or panty liners*
- Shaving Foam & Razors

Thank you!

Keep up to date with @EalingFoodbank on





"WEC International takes the good news to the peoples and nations who have yet to hear it: the good news that Christ came to bring forgiveness of sins and peace with God, and to displace hatred with love."

<https://www.wecinternational.org/index.php>

This month's mission prayer focus is on WEC International (Africa Area District) Our Mission Coordinator, Jenny Lovejoy will be praying for David and Margie Whitehorn and their work with WEC International.

PRAYER MATTERS

It is with sadness to announce the passing of Irving Bowen. Irving passed peacefully on Monday 19th April at 7.40am. We, at NPBC, would like to express our sincerest condolences to Hazel and their entire extended family. Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you all during this difficult time.

Do continue praying for those in our number who are bereaved, going through difficulty, who are unwell, or we have not seen for a while. Let's be mindful of the unspoken requests and needs of others. Let's bring them all before the Lord in prayer.

There are so many other needs we can bring before the Lord: unemployment, educational, financial, emotional, mental health, social needs, relationship breakdowns...etc. Let's take them all before God. Let's learn to let go and let God deal with it through prayer and faith in the Lord.

LET US PRAY FOR YOU!

Please email your prayer requests to npbc.pray@gmail.com If you have an urgent and essential prayer concern, please contact Pastor Michael

Telephone: 000 0000 0000 (Monday) Get more information on

Lovejoy. telephone 020 8632 9225 (ivarse) Get more information on forthcoming activities at NPBC on the church website www.npbc.uk.com

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The ability to develop spirituality

Being 'spiritual' is a growing philosophy within Western culture. It is generally associated with Eastern religions and philosophy. Practising Yoga, as a form of exercise, is an ever-increasing western ideology. Yoga, within Hinduism, is practised as a liberating act of worship in seeking Moksha and being liberated from the samsaric cycle of birth - life - death and rebirth. Health and fitness are just peripheral benefits of Yoga. The three main acts of worship within Hinduism are prayer, good works and Yoga. In the west, its form is focused on meditation and physical well-being, quite often without reference to the Hindu or Buddhist religious teaching on religious acts of worship and reincarnation.

Biblical spirituality

As expressed by Baker's Evangelical Dictionary, the Biblical concept of spirituality notes, 'Hebrew spirituality is a life lived within the framework defined by God's saving Acts. This sacred history is reflected in the community's faith and its liturgy, commemorations, such as Passover, and centred on the Jewish temple and its practices. However, Christian spirituality begins with our redemption in Christ. We are baptised into Christ: We die to sin, and we are made alive to God as a new creation (Rom 6:3-11; 2 Cor 5:17). Hebrews 9:27 informs us: 'Just as people are destined to die once, and after that to face judgment'.

Inner spirituality that's expressed outwardly

True spirituality, then, is not a human self-help program or a means of justifying ourselves (Gal 2:15-21). It begins with a divine call, rebirth, and conversion (John 3:3-8; Acts 2:38-39), wherein we admit we are helpless to help ourselves in our bondage to sin and enmity with God (Rom 5:6-11). Spirituality is an inner soul experience expressed outwardly in a related

form, i.e. with God, humanity and creation. May God help us to find ourselves, as we submit to Biblical truth.

Blessing, in Christ, to you all,

Pastor Michael

Safe to Belong

We take safeguarding very seriously. Northolt Park Baptist Church has clear policies and procedures to safeguard children, young people and adults at risk. A designated Safeguarding Lead provides support to carry out safeguarding policies. All concerns are reported and, where necessary, referred to external agencies and police.

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